

APPLICANT'S INVENTION

These and other objects of the present invention are achieved by an improved mounting assembly for a dental x-ray assembly comprised of a base plate member having outwardly-extending wall portions defining a U-shaped chamber along a longitudinal axis thereof and having upper threaded orifices and lower threaded orifices having axis perpendicular to the longitudinal axis of the base plate member and wherein a bearing block member is mounted with the U-shaped chamber for rotation by screw members threaded within the upper threaded orifices after mounting of the base plate member to a vertical support member in a vertical plane in a plane perpendicular to the vertical support member and wherein the block member is secured in the base plate member by locking means disposed in a lower threaded orifice once the bearing block is adjusted to a point eliminating any swinging of the dental x-ray assembly.

THE REJECTION

The drawings are objected to for failure to comply with 37 CFR 1.84(p)(5).

The specification is objected to for incorrect reference numerals and pursuant to 37 CFR 1.75(d)(1).

Claims 3 and 5 are objected to for certain typographical errors.

Claim 5 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112 1st paragraph for not providing enablement for the elongated bearing block member.

Claims 1 through 7 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112 2nd paragraph as failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicant regards as the invention.

Claims 1 and 2 are rejected to under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent 6,179,263 to Rosen.

Claims 3 through 7 are allowable if rewritten to overcome the rejections under 35 U.S.C. §112 2nd paragraph and to include the limitations of the base claim and the intervening claims.

DISCUSSION

The drawings do not require replacement sheets. The reference numeral 70 as it appeared in the specification was a typographical error. A new page of the specification has been submitted which corrects that typographical error. Still further, new pages of the specification have been submitted which include the character reference 68.

The objections to the specification with respect to a reference numeral and certain terminology has been corrected. More particularly, reference numeral 32 on page 5, line 6, has been corrected to reference numeral 52 and the term "chamber" as it appears on page 5, line 11, has been corrected to "channel". Still further correction has been made to the specification to include the language "downwardly-extending leg portion", as found in Claim 3, line 3. Still further, the claims have been amended to delete the references "linear inner surfaces" and "a linearly-shaped bottom wall portion" as appeared in lines 3 and 4 of Claim 6. Still further, Claim 3 has been corrected to correct typographical errors, namely "block" as to "lock" and "U-shaped" as opposed to "U-said" and Claim 3 has been incorporated in amended independent Claim 1. Still further, Applicant has addressed the rejection pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §112 by correcting a typographical error in the claims and in the specification.

Applicant gratefully acknowledges the indication of allowable subject matter in Claims 3 and 7 if rewritten to overcome the rejection of 35 U.S.C. §112 2nd paragraph and to include the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claim.

Applicant has amended Claim 1 and incorporated the limitations of Claims 2 and 3 into Claim 1. Applicant has amended Claim 4 to read as Claim 2 and to now depend from Claim 1. Applicant has amended Claim 5 and renumbered Claim 5 as Claim 3. Applicant has cancelled Claims 6 and 7.

In light of the foregoing Amendment, Applicant respectfully submits that the application and the claims are in condition for allowance and a notice of same is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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